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Briefs

NVFC BBQ set for June 10

The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company will hold a drive up to-go barbecue next Saturday, June 10.

The meal includes pulled pork, beans and a salad. It is available with a free will donation.

The barbecue will be served from 4-7 p.m., or until the food is gone.

Funds raised will support fire protection and ambulance services.

Highway 65 Garage Sales June 9-10

The Highway 65 Garage Sales will take place on Friday and Saturday, June 9-10.

Those living in communities along Highway 65, from Glenville to Manly, are encouraged to hold garage sales that weekend. And those looking to shop are encouraged to travel the route.

Communities included in the garage sale weekend include Glenville and Gordonsville in Minnesota and Northwood, Kensett and Manly in Iowa.

The event includes garage sales along the route, along with other vendors, groups and events held in conjunction.

Those with questions or who are interested in signing up may do so at the Hwy 65 Garage Sales Facebook page. People may also contact Sheryl Northway at 641-390-0663.

Those that would like to advertise their garage sales in the Northwood Anchor or Manly Signal may call 641-324-1051. The deadline for the issues the week of the sale is this Friday, June 2.



The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service Data

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. May 23	80	50	
Wed. May 24	83	53	
Thurs. May 25	85	52	
Fri. May 26	76	45	
Sat. May 27	77	43	
Sun. May 28	80	46	
Mon. May 29	82	50	



TEAM ADAMS FAMILY

Team Adams continues nine years of Relay support Saturday

By JoAnn Lower

Cancer. What an ugly word. One of the worst words you can ever hear uttered. The Adams family has been deeply touched by this dread disease, and it's through grit, bravery and love that they join us on June 3 for the Relay For Life of Worth County.

For the past nine years this wonderful family has

been active and supportive of Relay For Life. They've brought baked goods, a photo booth and games to Relay events.

"We enjoy being with the people of Worth County. Our family feels that we can make a difference, and it's fun to be in Northwood. We love to make people smile."

"A couple weeks before the Northwood Relay in

2014 Aunt Gloria Helgeson was diagnosed with breast cancer, so we came together as a family — as Team Adams. From California, Maryland, South Dakota and Iowa we gathered. Walking shoulder-to-shoulder onto the fairgrounds, we caught Gloria and Jim by complete surprise as they walked in through an opposite gate. During the two

weeks we were here we raised almost \$3,000 and had a great time."

Much of the Adams family lives in Iowa. Grandparents Henrietta and Frank Adams had eight children, resulting in a close-knit family of many descendants.

"In 2009 we began the Henrietta Reunion that we
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Council discusses senior co-op, youth, sidewalks

A potential housing option for Northwood seniors was discussed at the recent Northwood city council meeting. Other discussion included an update on youth causing issues in the city and concerns about the quality of the recent sidewalk

installation.

Northwood resident Sandy Olson came to the council to present an idea inspired by residential settings in other larger cities.

Olson said that she and her husband have
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Ambulance options discussed for southern townships, towns

While questions remain about ambulance coverage for a southern portion of Worth County, the local officials that will be involved in the process met last week and discussed their options and plans moving forward.

Following the defeat of the vote for a countywide EMS or ambulance taxation last November, a number of developments have occurred, leaving portions of the county unsure of who

and how ambulance coverage will be provided to them.

One area in question includes a portion of Danville Township and the entirety of Lincoln and Union townships, as well as the cities of Grafton, Kensett and Manly.

Representatives of those townships and towns, along with the Worth County supervisors, took part in a workshop held on May 24, to find out where they stood

and where they should go from here.

Following the vote last November, three options for ambulance coverage have been in the works in the county.

A request was made by the Forest City Ambulance Service for \$40,000. That would cover a rapid paramedic response addition to other ambulance services. That would be in the west-
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Special flag shares memory of lost loved one for George family

By JoAnn Lower

An American Red Cross flag, once pulled from the rubble near a small demolished Red Cross outpost in Kuwait, now stands proudly in the home of Gloria George.

The flag, given to Gloria

on June 12, 1991, was a gift from her nephew-in-law, Sergeant Larry Benson of Clear Lake.

"Larry was in the 1133rd National Guard Unit headquartered in Mason City," said George. "He and his unit were sent to the Middle

East during the Persian Gulf/Desert Storm conflict where they served from August 1990 to February 1991. After 100 hours of fighting Larry and one of his Guard buddies were walking around Kuwait when his friend spotted the crumpled, blood-stained flag."

About to throw it back onto the pile of rubble, the friend turned to Larry asking if he wanted it. Larry immediately thought of his Aunt Gloria in Northwood, an instructor and trainer with the North Central Iowa Chapter of the Red Cross. "He knew I was just the person who would appreciate it," Gloria said. "And I truly do."

After receiving this special gift, Gloria and her husband Gary found a meaningful way to display it in their home. Gary fashioned a frame for the flag made of barn boards obtained from Gloria's parents' farm near Cartersville, Iowa.

Larry Benson passed away in July 2004 and, now that Gloria is downsizing, she's giving the flag to his son, her great nephew Trinity. "The flag is going to a good home," she smiled.
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Gloria George and great-nephew Trinity Benson



Beautiful downtown Northwood

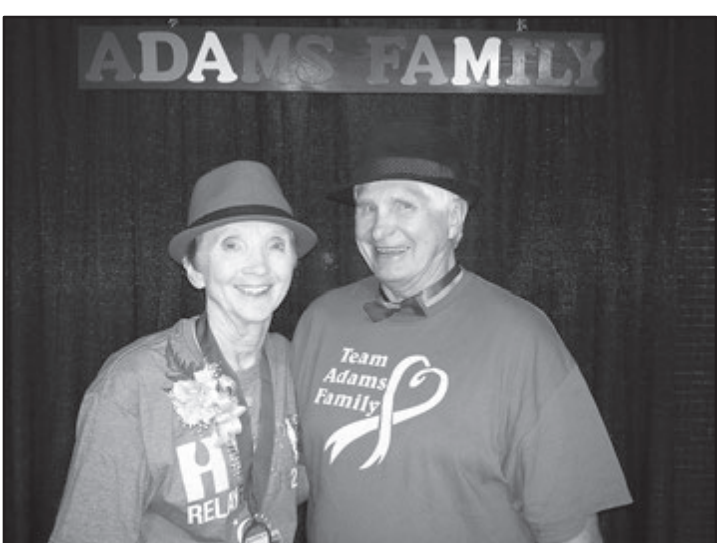
If you're driving in downtown Northwood and see a man in bib overhauls, watering the beautiful flowers, that would be Peter Julseth taking care of them and making our downtown look beautiful.

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have every other year. Two years ago the reunion coincided with Gloria Helgeson's Celebration of Life. We now have expanded the Henrietta Reunion by adding the Adams Memorial Golf Tournament in Northwood. We have game days and garage sales. We donate items to be auctioned off, bid on an item and then, just for fun, buy it back. All the money goes to cancer."

"We have items for the live auction for this year's Relay, and to the golf tournament we've added a raffle for the family called the Adams Adventure. One of the items is a prayer shawl made by a 92-year-old aunt, another is one of Gloria's nativity scenes. We have a good time, but the most important thing is that we want to make a difference in other people's lives."

"We make lots of goodies to sell at the Northwood Relay, and last year all our



GLORIA AND JIM HELGESON

goodies sold out. There will be hamburgers on the grill, cookies, goodies and water for sale."

"This year on May 26 we had our first garage sale in Mason City. Our Highway 65 garage sale from Iowa to Minnesota will be on June 9 and 10. Watch for the signs close to Pine Creek Golf Club north of Mason City on Highway 65."

"We want young and old – all ages – to come join us at the fairgrounds on June 3. At 3 p.m. survivors can check in. Bingo is from 3-4 p.m., with the actual Relay from 4-7 p.m. There will also be games and prizes for the kiddos. At 7 p.m. will be the release of luminaries for our loved ones who have gone on."

NIACC grads include NVFC EMTs

At the four North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) graduation ceremonies on Friday, May 5, 718 graduates were recognized as earning 756 degrees, diplomas and certificates during the 2022-23 academic year. Several honors and awards were also presented.

NIACC'S Class of 2023 represents 9 countries, 17 states, and 105 Iowa communities.

Amongst those graduating in the ceremonies were members of the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, who completed courses to serve as Emergency Medical Technicians or Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians, enabling them to serve on the NVFC ambulance crew.

Summer Reading program starts in June at Kensett Public Library

Kensett Public Library will be holding the Summer Reading Program during the month of June, starting on Thursday, June 1, from 1 to 3 p.m. Every Thursday in June they will meet at the library at that time.

This year's theme is "Find Your Voice." They will have fun activities, crafts and snacks.

They will have a special guest on June 22. Teresa Stehn, the outreach coordinator at Worth County Farm Bureau, will be doing a presentation about Dairy Month and butter."

All ages are welcome to participate.

Graduating as EMTs were Nicholas Matthew Alan Anderson, Brandon Carl Kilbourn, Brandon Lee Magritz, Jessica Rose Newell, Brandon Scott Severson, Jacob Jon Springer, Alli Jodanne Wurtzel and Chad Lee Wurtzel. Graduating as an AEMT was Bruce Brandon Oldfather.

Other local NIACC graduates included:

From Carpenter, Megan Raelyn Gooder;

From Fertile, Ericka Marie Hadacek, Ashlynn Jae Miller and Elijah James Wagner;

From Grafton, Carissa Lynn Blake;

From Hanlontown, Madison Ann Rieck and Mikenzi Mae Roberts;

From Joice, Trisity Faith Behrens, Isaac Ryan Bergo, Madelyn Elizabeth Kollasch and Levi Jon Olson;

From Kensett, Thomas Edward Hakes and Jasmyn Haley Schmidt;

From Manly, Willow Rose Anderson, Zachary Jon Badker, Kalliape Ann Ballance, Rachel Diane Ballance, Sebastian Alden Beck, Brooklyn Delores Benson, Natalie JoAnne Cordle, Jana Joann Crimmings, Zoey Danielle Francis, Gracie Mae Halbach, Alyssa L. Hausman, Anna Marie Hawkins, Jessica Marie Jordal, Jonathon Lee Kreamer, Austin Michael Lloyd and Jozalyn Jo Munson; and

From Northwood, Madelyn Paige Berge, Mackenzie Paige Davis, Sarah Roxanne Eglseider, Joshua John Fick, Laura Ann Hopperstad, Holly Jo Low, Tyler Thomas Mills, Casson James Moretz, Haydan Robert Pestorious, Chase James Preece, Carter Lee Severson, Ethian Edward Tasker, Dylan Michael Tews and Sydney Ann Welch.

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been considering where they want to live, as they hope to find a place without the same levels of maintenance.

Olson said that they would like to stay in Northwood but there aren't options for senior home ownership they are looking for.

Olson mentioned Maple Court as a great option for seniors that are looking for a small place to rent with a continuum of care.

However, those looking to buy or own a living space don't have the option.

One option that Olson said is popular in larger communities is a form of senior housing cooperative, where apartments are offered for sale.

Olson said that seniors buy and own apartments in the facilities. Monthly fees pay for all the maintenance needs and tasks to be done for the apartment owners.

Olson said that the new housing development in the works on the south side of the city, the Southwind Estates, would be an ideal location for a small single floor 12 apartment co-op complex.

Olson said that it would provide a reason for some seniors in the community to stay in Northwood, as well as bring in those that want a co-op environment but want to live in a smaller community.

Olson offered to facilitate a focus group to investigate the possibility. She suggest-

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ern most townships, a portion of Danville Township and the cities of Joice, Fertile and Hanlontown.

The Mason City Fire Department made its own request for funds to cover the remainder of the county.

The requests reflects issues in Medicare, Medicaid and insurance payments that no long cover the costs of operating an ambulance service, and Mason City taxpayers no longer being asked to cover those expenses for Worth County, as they have for almost 20 years.

However, in February the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company (NVFC) announced that it planned to offer ambulance service at no cost to local governments. The NVFC announced plans to offer the service initially to the area it serves for fire and rescue response. So far the city of Northwood and six townships have signed agreements. The only portion of the NVFC coverage area not signing so far is the city of Kensett.

Removing the NVFC coverage from the former MCFD response area put into question the options and costs for the lower areas that have been served by the MCFD, and prompted the meeting held last week.

With the requests for funding expected to begin July 1, only one option has been presented.

The supervisors have discussed, but not yet approved using pandemic relief funds to cover the FCAS and MCFD requests for up to a year, to allow townships and cities to find other options.

Manly mayor Tim O'Keefe opened the meeting clarifying the potential outcome if no option was found to fund a request from the MCFD. He said that there is no requirement that an ambulance come to the area as of July 2024, assuming the County has provided a year of funding.

Supervisor AJ Stone

explained that the MCFD had changed its plans to request funds from the County. Instead, the MCFD plans to ask for \$500-700 per call to cover not only unpaid portions of ambulance calls, but also the expenses when they are called to a scene and do not provide transports.

It was estimated that as many as 300 ambulance calls would be expected in any year in the area. That would put the maximum total MCFD ambulance charges in the range of \$150,000-\$210,000.

Stone said that the idea is to make it so that individuals would not be expected to cover the per call amounts.

With the townships and cities in the area already largely taxing at their limits for emergency services, another option was discussed.

Iowa code allows cities and townships to form EMS districts, permitting them to apply an additional property tax of up to \$1 per \$1,000 of valuation, with the potential to increase that amount.

Loberg said that the property tax may exclude agricultural property from the taxation. However, that was still being determined.

For an EMS district to be formed, a petition would have to be filed by 25% of the people in the district, who own at least 25% of the land, which excludes ag property.

If the petition is accepted, a vote would take place, needing 60% approval.

However, even if successful, the taxes couldn't bring in EMS dollars for at least 18 months, leaving a gap between potential initial County support and townships and cities assuming the costs.

A potential way to mitigate the costs was also suggested. The possibility of using WCDA grants to provide the MCFD with equipment or even an ambulance was suggested as a way to

lower the expenses for the department, and their asking of Worth County.

Stone said that if that was an option, it would only be a temporary relief and not an ongoing funding option.

There was some hope that pursuing grants and the EMS district taxes would show the MCFD and the Mason City Council that controls its funding that the Worth County area is seeking solutions.

The potential need for options sooner than July 2024 was also mentioned.

The supervisors noted that they do not have unlimited funds available and may not be able to cover a full year of MCFD coverage.

Loberg added that the pandemic relief funds are countywide dollars and that it would only be fair for the County to provide EMS money to all areas of the County, including to the FCAS and NVFC.

The supervisors were also asked who would be taking on the EMS district effort, and if they would be involved.

The supervisors stated that once the 2022 EMS vote failed, it was no longer a County supervisor decision. Stone added that they would be there to advise, but other County efforts would be limited.

For his part, as a supervisor representing the area, as a resident of Manly and as a member of the Manly Fire Department, he would be on board to play a part in a committee that would look at the EMS District process and other options.

Others joining included representatives of the three townships, the cities, as well as Worth County EMS director Bob Rush, who also lives in Manly and serves on the MFD.

Kensett may also be involved after a coming council meeting, where they will discuss that or the NVFC option.

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"I'm so happy it will remain in the family."

Trinity Benson and his wife Melody live in Osage where Trinity is City Superintendent and Melody is employed at Popp Excavating. The couple has four children.

Relay
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games, luminaries, lanterns, a photo booth and more.

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Making the path patriotic

Those visiting Sunset Rest Cemetery on Memorial Day traveled on paths that were lined with American flags, courtesy of a number of volunteers that spent their morning assisting members of the local VFW.



Homestead tax credit and exemption applications due July 1

On May 4, 2023, Governor Kim Reynolds signed House File 718, establishing a homestead tax exemption for claimants 65 years of age or older.

In addition to the original homestead tax credit, eligible claimants who own the home they live in and are 65 years of age or older on or before January 1 of the assessment year are now eligible for a homestead tax exemption. For the assessment year beginning on January 1, 2023, the exemption is for \$3,250

of taxable value. For assessment years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, the exemption is for \$6,500 of taxable value. An exemption is a reduction in the taxable value of the property rather than a direct reduction in the amount of property tax you pay.

The Iowa Department of Revenue has amended the original Homestead Tax Credit and Exemption (54-028) form to allow claimants to apply for the new exemption. Applications are due July 1 to the local assessor. If

the exemption is granted, the exemption will be allowed for future years without future filing as long as the claimant continues to qualify.

Application forms can be found at the Assessor's office in the Worth County courthouse in Northwood.

More information and questions are available by contacting the Assessor's office at 641-324-1198 or emailing assessor@worthcounty.org.

The deadline to apply is July 1, 2023.

Share the fun of fishing during free fishing weekend June 2-4

Iowa residents can try fishing without buying a license June 2-4, as part of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) free fishing weekend. All other regulations remain in place.

Free fishing weekend is a great time to share the fun of fishing with a kid, your family or a friend. Outdoor fun awaits at hundreds of Iowa lakes, thousands of miles of rivers or a neighborhood pond.

"A summer of family fun is just a short drive and a fishing pole away," said Joe Larscheid, chief of the Iowa DNR's Fisheries Bureau. "The water is waiting. Get your lines in the water and

put your worries behind you."

Find a list of stocked lakes and ponds that are easily accessible in parks and along trails on the Iowa DNR's interactive Iowa Community Fisheries Atlas at www.iowadnr.gov/Fishing/Fish-Local.

Fun, hands-on fishing events will be offered across Iowa to help families new to fishing get started. Check the general fishing calendar on the DNR website at www.iowadnr.gov/fishing for a list of free fishing events.

Keep the fun going all summer long by buying a fishing license. It's easy to buy a fishing license with

the DNR Go Outdoors Iowa online licensing system at <https://license.gooutdoorsiowa.com/Licensing/CustomerLookup.aspx>. You can download the public Go Outdoors IA mobile app for iPhone and Android devices to buy and store your fishing license, so you will always have access to your license no matter where you are. Yearly, seven-day, or 24-hour fishing licenses are available.

Enticing a fish to bite your hook is fun for all ages. Get tips for taking kids fishing and catching crappie and bluegills on the DNR website at www.iowadnr.gov/Fishing/Ready-to-Fish.

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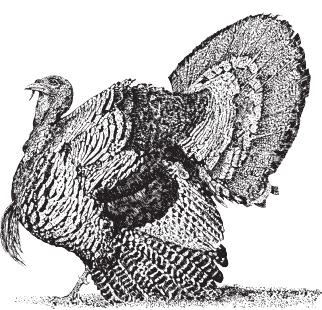
Despite a rainy cold closing weekend across much of state, Iowa's wild turkey hunters reported harvesting more than 14,800 birds through the mandatory registration system, an increase of nearly 3,000 versus the 2022 harvest.

Iowa's spring turkey seasons began April 7 with the youth season and ended on May 14. Hunters purchased nearly 54,500 spring turkey tags, an increase of 2,000 licenses from 2022.

Turkey production has been good across most of the state the past two years and these two-year-old birds were likely a good portion of the harvest, said Jim Coffey, forest wildlife biologist with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

"The two-year-old birds are the most likely to gobble and the most likely to move," he said. "When we combine birds willing to move, pretty good weather during the season and the great passion our turkey hunters have for the resource, we get a harvest for the record books."

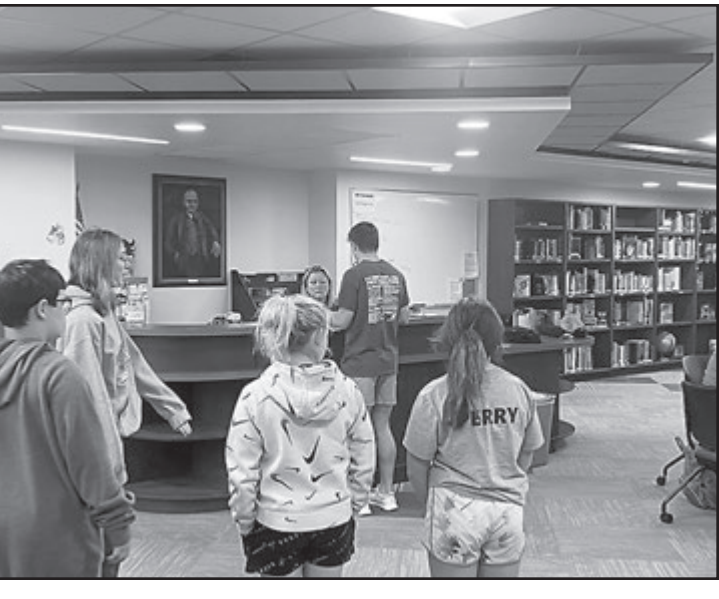
While the hunting season may be done for 2023, Iowans can help the DNR with its annual



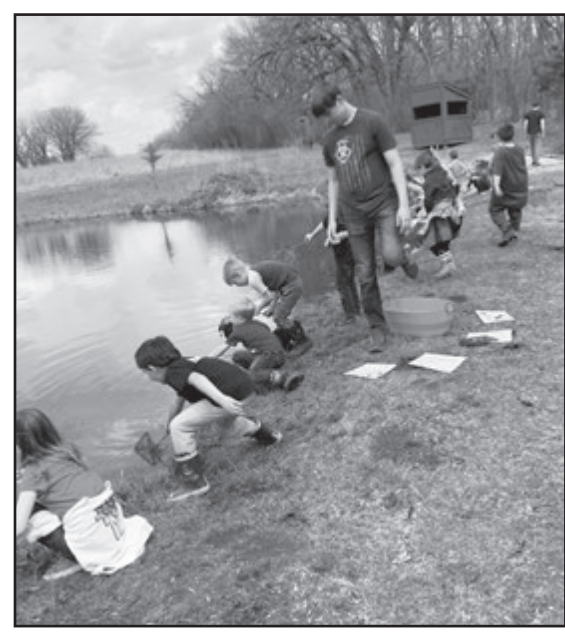
turkey production estimates by reporting all the turkeys seen during the months of July and August. This annual survey is designed to predict the overall production of wild turkeys that will be available for the 2024 season.

The DNR will have a link to the survey on its website before it begins on July 1, where Iowans seeing wild turkeys are asked to provide the date and county in which the turkey(s) was seen, if it was an adult female or adult male (males have beards on their breast), and whether there are young poults (baby turkeys) present.

Annual production surveys conducted by the DNR are an important component of the species management plans, which includes providing hunting opportunities. Anyone seeing turkeys is encouraged to participate in this online survey.



Preparing for middle school
Before the school year ended, Northwood-Kensett fifth graders had a preview of what school will be like for them when they start the next school year. They joined older students and staff as they toured the middle school classrooms, gyms, cafeteria and other spaces where they will learn starting this August.



Learning at Lime Creek
Northwood-Kensett first graders traveled to the Lime Creek Nature Center at the end of April. Worth County Conservation led the trip, and were helped by older students in the N-K Ecology class. The students learned about living and non-living things, did a pond study, took a nature hike and learned about animal adaptations.

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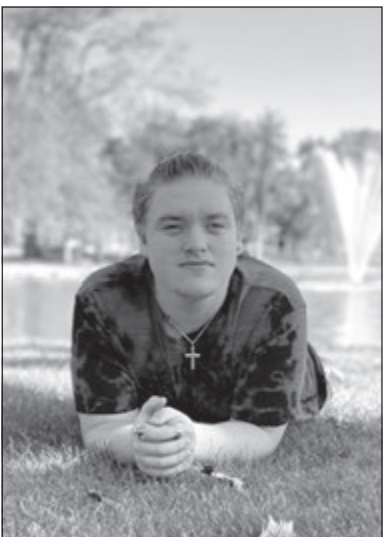
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Jefferson Highway Conference includes Northwood stop June 8

Next Thursday, June 8, a group traveling the historic route of the Jefferson Highway will pay a visit to Northwood.

The Jefferson Highway Conference is set for June 7-10, based out of Mason City. The Conference includes a bus tour of the nearby Jefferson Highway route, including its stop in Northwood on June 8.

According to information from the current Jefferson Highway Association:

The Jefferson Highway was named for President Thomas Jefferson, in honor of his achievement of the Louisiana Purchase.

The Jefferson Highway Association was organized in 1915 to promote the highway. The road traveled from Winnipeg to New Orleans, a route of 2,300 miles through seven states that came from the Louisiana Purchase.

It was promoted as “The Vacation Route of America” and the “Pine to Palm Highway.”

The Jefferson Highway route traveled through Worth County communities, primarily along or adjacent to Highway 65. Swensrud Park in Northwood was a popular stopping point for those traveling the Highway.



This sign was recently added to Northwood’s Swensrud Park, recognizing its role as a Jefferson Highway destination.

A sign marking the park’s connection to the Jefferson Highway was recently installed.

The official Jefferson Highway designation ended in 1926 when numbers replaced names in the federal highway system. The Jefferson Highway Association issued its last map guide in 1929. Other than those who remembered its history, the Jefferson Highway was largely forgotten for more than 80 years.

In 2011, enthusiasts of the Jefferson Highway gathered

to consider ways to cultivate interest in the highway. That resulted in the reactivation of the Jefferson Highway Association and the several hundred members that make up the group today.

The Jefferson Highway Association is hosting its annual conference in Mason City next week. Activities will include the tour that will take them into Northwood on the morning of June 8, as well as gatherings, meals, museum visits, seminars and other events.



Winifred clean up
Hotel Winifred board members Mary Reyerson-Low, Jane Podgorniak, Tyler Byington and Steve Scholl, along with volunteers Tom and Joan Vorland, Ian Podgorniak, Patty Brekken and Lori Willert made progress on a recent afternoon cleaning up inside the hotel in preparation for the Jefferson Highway Tour bus making a stop in Northwood on June 8. There will be more opportunities for anyone who would like to join in the “not so clean fun” next Tuesday afternoon starting at 1 p.m.

Thanks
for being
a reader!

Northwood Church

Fertile Lutheran Church
Sunday, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School & Confirmation, 10:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
Sunday, Grace Worship, Bethlehem Adult Bible Study, 9 a.m., Bethlehem Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Church/Elk Creek Lutheran
Thursday, MANNA Open, 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship - Elk Creek, 9 a.m., Sunday School - Elk Creek, 9:45 a.m., Worship Bethany, 10:30 a.m.

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Sunday, Worship Services - Communion, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.

Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church
Wednesday, Diner, 8:30 a.m., Sunday, Bethel Worship Service, 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Trinity Worship, 9:10 a.m.

Northwood United Methodist Church
Friday, Bible Study at Northwood, 10 a.m.; Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Fellowship, 11:45 a.m.; Tuesday, Swallow Coffee House, 10 a.m.

Rev. Rob Lanphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish
Sunday, Worship Services 10:30 a.m. available online at “One in Christ Lutheran Parish” Facebook Page and YouTube under

“One in Christ Lutheran Parish.” Sunday Worship Services, 11 a.m., Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Silver Lake, 705 Silver Lake Rd., Northwood, 641-293-5556; 9 a.m., Bethany, 201 Franke St., Joice, 641-588-3366; 8 a.m., Lunder, 14982 735th Ave., Albert Lea; 10:30 a.m., Winnebago, 40029 210th Ave., Lake Mills; 9:30 a.m. Immanuel, 105 E. 3rd St., Scarville, 641-568-3666.

First Lutheran Church, Northwood
Wednesday, Confirmation, 5:15 p.m., Choir, 5:30 p.m., Inspire, 7 p.m., SH Youth, 7:50 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Service, 9 a.m., Sunday School, 10:10 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Staff Meeting, 11 a.m., Bell Choir, 6:30 p.m., AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Adult Bible Study and Children’s Sunday School following service. No Sunday School for June, July & August.

Rev. Barbara M. Wills, Pastor

Sacred Heart Church, Manly
Mass Wednesday, 8 a.m.; Mass Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

Rev. Neil Manternach, Pastor

Fr. Jake Dunne, Associate Pastor

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Faith Lutheran Church, London
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, 9:30 a.m. (Fall through Spring); Sunday, Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Kent Otterman

Bolan hosts VBS from June 19-23

The community of Bolan will host its annual Vacation Bible School events June 19-23. Young people from throughout the area are invited to take part in the activities, or to help out during the week.

The theme for this year’s VBS is “STELLAR, Shine Jesus’ Light.”

The VBS activities are held from 9 a.m. to noon each day, along with a free-will supper and program that will be held on Friday, June 23, 6 p.m.



There is no cost for the VBS activities, but those taking part are asked to register to make sure

there are enough supplies, materials and food, plus crews in place. Transportation can also

be made available, by contacting participating churches or organizer Lori Wilelrt.

To be a part of all the STELLAR fun, contact a United Methodist Church in Bolan, Manly, Northwood, Plymouth, Rock Falls, Rudd, Nora Springs or a Lutheran Church in Manly or Hanlontown for registration forms and information, or call Lori Willert at 641-903-9472, email at lwillert@wctatel.net or visit www.bolaniowa.com.

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God encourages His followers to spread the Word, but that is not always easy. Some people are too busy to listen. Others don’t want to. The next time you encounter someone resistant to the Word of God, consider holding your peace until a better opportunity arises and let your actions speak for you in the meantime.

But Jesus held his peace, And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God. Matthew 26:63 (KJV)

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Cook Bookin'

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Bulwer Lytton,
Edward Robert

by Sandy Olson



To contact Sandy Olson for comments or suggestions, please email her at: midwestfoodie@gmail.com

We just returned from a trip to some of the Canadian Maritime Provinces (New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and the Magdalen Islands) plus Quebec City and Montreal. I found a cookbook of vintage recipes passed down from the Acadians who settled in Canada around 1755. "A Taste of Acadie" was published in French in 1978; my English copy was published in 1991(Goose Lane Editions, Fredericton, New Brunswick). Authors Marielle Cormier-Boudreau and Melvin Gallant present traditional recipes that showcase the fresh foods available to the cooks of long ago and still enjoyed in today's kitchens.

Soupe Aux Feuilles

(Vegetable Greens Soup, a light fresh first course or lunch dish with a sandwich. Use young spring veggies from the garden)
2 small onions, chopped. You can use large green onions if you prefer.
5 cups beef broth, unsalted is best so you can salt to your taste
2 tablespoons real butter, again unsalted is best
1 tablespoon kosher salt; black pepper to taste
Chopped fresh herbs such as chives, garlic scapes, parsley
Chopped fresh greens such as turnip tops, beet tops, spinach or tender cabbage. Use as many of these in whatever quantity you prefer.

Melt the butter in a heavy sauce pan and sauté the onions until transparent. Add the broth and bring to a boil. Add salt and pepper to taste. Add the herbs and the greens. Simmer the soup for 30 minutes.

Gousses En Sauce

(String Beans in Sauce. Use tender small beans for the best results)

1 pound green beans, trimmed
1 medium yellow onion, chopped
2 tablespoons real butter
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 cup whole milk
Salt to taste

Put the beans in a large pot with just enough salted water to cover them. Bring the water to a boil and simmer just until the beans are tender. Drain and set aside. In a heavy skillet, melt the butter and brown the onions. Add the flour and sauté for 1 minutes. Slowly blend in the milk, stirring constantly to avoid lumps. Simmer for a few minutes but be careful not to let the liquid boil. Add the drained beans to the sauce, heat through and serve.

Sauce Au Sucre Brun

(Brown Sugar Sauce; use on rice pudding, ice cream or plain white cake squares)

1 cup dark brown sugar
4 teaspoons all-purpose flour
1 1/4 cups cold water
1 teaspoon real vanilla extract
1 tablespoon real butter
Pinch of salt

Sift the sugar, flour and salt together into a medium-sized heavy saucepan. Add the water and whisk well. Bring the mixture to a boil, stirring constantly, until the sauce thickens and becomes syrupy. Remove from the heat and cool until it is just warm. Add the vanilla and butter; stir well.

This is one of the most interesting cookbooks I've found recently. The recipes show the clever way people used what was available and created different dishes from similar ingredients. There was one recipe that stood out...Seal Fat Cookies....but since seal fat isn't readily available in our supermarkets, I skipped that one! And.....that's all she wrote.

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Society



Dropping off door donations

Pictured are Chad Tiedemann (left), Custom Engineering Manager for TruStile Doors and his son Trent making a delivery Monday, May 15. TruStile Doors donated two interior doors (valued at \$1,900 total) to the Worth County Historical Society for use in the Stromstein Building. The WCHS shared appreciation for TruStile and Tiedemann's help in finding the right doors, and to the Tiedemann family for assisting in the delivery.

A Senior Moment

By Sandy Olson

Spring in Iowa is the most beautiful time and green is the most beautiful color in nature as far as I'm concerned. When the grass looks like velvet, the trees are in full leaf, tiny little green things are poking out of the black farm fields and the bugs are not yet out in full force.....what's not to love? It's not too hot; it's not too cold. There are still days, however, when Northwood seniors would like to spend quality time inside with friends and food and that's where the Northwood Senior Center comes in.

Our activity calendar has been pretty much the same each month for a while. We've found there are only a few things senior men and women enjoy doing so we've kept the choices to a minimum. In June, The Bookworms will meet, as usual, on the first Monday, June 5. The Public Library hosts the group. Emily gets the books for us to read so there is no cost to belong for a lot of interesting reading and discussion. Time is 2 p.m. Fun Bingo

will be played on the second and fourth Mondays, June 12 and 26. It's fun; it's fast; it's free and there are prizes! Time is 12:30 p.m. Lois Meyer, our "resident" musician is so willing to share her time and talent. The Senior Center thanks her again and again and it's well-deserved. She will be presenting lunch concerts at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday June 8 and June 22. Please make your reservation for lunch (324-1244) and enjoy the concert.

Amy from ISU has presented Fresh Conversations for several years. She has valuable information (and samples!) for seniors about healthy eating and how to make that happen. She'll be there on June 13 at 12:15 p.m. and it's too good to miss. Shana Butler from Worth County Public Health Nurses has one of the most important tasks of the entire month. She is helping seniors stay healthy and active so life remains as comfortable and enjoyable as possible. You just can't emphasize enough how important that is. She'll be at the Center on

Thursday, June 15 at 12:15 p.m.

As always, Tuesdays is set aside for cards and games. It's the wide open space to host a card or game group and no one has to set up chairs, tables or dust the house! Just let the staff know you would like to use the space and it's yours! Some people play in the morning, stay for lunch and resume play after eating. Others can come in after lunch so it's up to each "host." Bring your own cards and games, snacks and beverages to enjoy the Senior Center at no cost. Last month we learned to play Rats and Swoop, both fun and easy card games. Call to make your reservations for lunch and/or cards at 324-1244.

Enjoy May. We'll soon be complaining about the heat, dust, mosquitos and all the others joys of summer and forget about the -20 degree days of winter. And please be patient with all the construction. Those hard-working people are making Northwood better and better!

Let Us Talk

Now that school is out for the summer we all need to help protect our young people by driving defensively and SLOWING DOWN. Soon the swimming pool will open, ball games will begin and with the weather warming up many of us will be outside. Help make our summer a safe one by being a good and courteous driver.

With the State completing most of the highway overlay project and the sidewalks on the south side complete, work continues on the sidewalks



Doug Moehle

Northwood Mayor

along the highway on the north side. Please be aware of the ever changing traffic patterns and slow down.

As more and more people are outdoors it is so important that all of us work to keep our properties well maintained. The appearance of our community is vital not only for those of us that

live here but especially important for those that visit. We will never get a second chance to make a good first impression.

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Thank You,
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Opinion

Savvy Senior

Can I collect Social Security from my ex-spouse?

Dear Savvy Senior,

Is it possible to collect Social Security benefits from my ex-spouse? We were married for 12 years but have been divorced for almost 20 years now.

Never Remarried

Dear Never,

Yes, depending on your specific circumstances, you may very well be eligible for divorced spouses Social Security benefits. Here's what you should know.

Who's Eligible?

A divorced spouse can collect a Social Security retirement benefit on the earnings record of their ex-husband (or ex-wife) if you are at least age 62, were married for at least 10 years, are unmarried, and are not eligible for a higher benefit based on your own earnings record.

In order to collect, your former spouse must also be at least 62 and eligible for Social Security benefits. But he doesn't have to be receiving them in order for you to collect divorced spouse's benefits, as long as you've been divorced for at least two years.

Even if your ex is remarried, it won't affect your right to divorcee benefits, nor will it affect your ex's retirement benefits or his current spouse's benefits.

Benefit Amount

A divorced spouse can receive up to 50 percent of their ex's full Social Security benefit, or less if they take benefits before their full retirement age, which is 66 for people born in 1945-1954 but is gradually increased to age 67 for people born in 1960 or later. To find out your full retirement age and see how much your benefits will be reduced by taking them early see [SSA.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/agereduction.html](https://ssa.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/agereduction.html).

Keep in mind though, that if you qualify for benefits based on your own work history, you'll receive the larger of the two benefits. You cannot receive benefits on both your record, and your ex's work record too.

To find out how much your retirement benefits will be, see your Social Security statement at [SSA.gov/myaccount](https://ssa.gov/myaccount). And to get an estimate of your ex's benefits, call Social Security at 800-772-1213. You'll need to show your marriage certificate and divorce decree to prove your marriage lasted at least 10 years along with his Social Security number to get it.

Other Factors to Know

You also need to be aware that working can affect your divorced spouse's benefits. If you start taking benefits while working, and are under full retirement age, your benefits will be reduced \$1 for every \$2 you earn above the annual limit, which is \$21,240 in 2023. In the year you reach full retirement age, however, the annual limit increases to \$56,520 and the reduction lowers to \$1 for every \$3 above that limit. See [SSA.gov/pubs/EN-05-10069.pdf](https://ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10069.pdf) for more details.

Another factor that can reduce your divorced spouse's benefits is receiving a pension from an employer that did not withhold Social Security taxes (like a government). This is a rule know as Government Pension Offset (see [SSA.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/gpo-calc.html](https://ssa.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/gpo-calc.html)) which can reduce your benefits by two-thirds of the amount of your pension.

Divorced Survivor's Benefits

You also need to know that when your ex-spouse dies (and if you were married for 10 or more years), you become eligible for divorced survivor benefits, which is worth up to 100 percent of what your ex-spouse was due.

Survivor benefits are available to divorced spouses as early as age 60 (50 if you're disabled). But if you remarry before 60, you become ineligible unless the marriage ends. Remarrying after age 60 will not affect your eligibility.

Also note that if you are receiving divorced spouses benefits when your ex-spouse dies, you will automatically be switched over to the higher paying survivor benefit.

For more information visit [SSA.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/applying7.html](https://ssa.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/applying7.html) and click on "Benefits for Your Divorced Spouse."

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

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Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
The doorbell repairman.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. When I was a small boy, the older kids played hide-and-seek. I begged them to allow me to take part. They told me to bug off or to kick rocks. I wouldn't take "no" for an answer. I wore them down. They gave in because good hide-and-seek players were hard to find. They told me to hide and they would seek. I went across the rural road to Saint Aidan's Cemetery and hid behind a towering tombstone in the shape of a snag with a broken limb. I was a hotdog on the 4th of July for the mosquitoes, but I was a great hide-and-seek player. They never found me. It turned out they hadn't even looked for me.

The church had alarm clock elbows

Steve Bakken and I were acolytes at the new church, which creaked and groaned less than the old church. We were young people from the congregation who had assumed the responsibilities of lighting and extinguishing the candles before and after worship services. We helped with the offering and with communion. We did what we were told. We each wore a robe and we NEVER chewed gum. We sat behind the pastor as he gave the sermon and we couldn't help but look out at the congregation. People-watching is fun. We could tell the men who'd had a late night on Saturday. They fell asleep just as the

Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

sermon was getting exciting. They were punished for this behavior with a sharp elbow from a wife or girlfriend. Men who didn't have anyone else's elbow to wake them, experienced sleep jerks. Let me make it clear that they weren't sleep jerks. They experienced sleep jerks, also called hypnic jerks, hypnagogic jerks, sleep twitches or sleep starts.

We have a cat who loves to sleep on my lap while I'm working at my desk. When I'm not looking, she surprises me by pulling the tea bag from my cup. When she falls asleep, her head wobbles to one side like a dysfunctional bobblehead before she wakes up with a jerk. Humans wake up with a jerk at our desks or while watching the Vikings play on TV. It's as if our bodies had a hiccup.

And in the race for the happiest state

To determine what are the happiest states in the USA, Scholaroo (<https://scholaroo.com/report/happiest-states/>) compared the 50 states across seven key dimensions: Employment, leisure activities, mental health, personal finance, personal relationships, physical health and social policies. Scholaroo found Minnesota the 7th happiest and Iowa the 26th. Massachusetts was #1 and West Virginia #50.

I've learned

I won the lottery by being born here.

I visited Switzerland once. I liked it there and the country's flag was a big plus.

Always carry a knife. You never know when there will be cake.

The band name I can never remember is The Guess Who.

Nature notes

The indigo bunting is my wife's

These four challenges will shape the next farm bill- and how the U.S. eats

during the Trump administration. Now legislators are jockeying over raising the debt ceiling, which limits how much the federal government can borrow to pay its bills.

Agriculture Committee leaders and farm groups argue that more money is necessary to strengthen the food and farm sector. If they have their way, the price tag for the next farm bill would increase significantly from current projections.

On the other side, reformers argue for capping payments to farmers, which The Washington Post recently described as an "expensive agricultural safety net," and restricting payment eligibility. In their view, too much money goes to very large farms that produce commodity crops like wheat, corn, soybeans and rice, while small and medium-size producers receive far less support.

Food aid is the key fight

Many people are surprised to learn that nutrition assistance – mainly through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as food stamps – is where most farm bill money is spent. Back in the 1970s, Congress began including nutrition assistance in the farm bill to secure votes from an increasingly urban nation.

Today, over 42 million Americans depend on SNAP, including nearly 1 in every 4 children. Along with a few smaller programs, SNAP will likely consume 80% of the money in the new farm bill, up from 76% in 2018.

Why have SNAP costs grown? During the pandemic, SNAP benefits were increased on an emergency basis, but that temporary arrangement expired in March 2023. Also, in response to a directive included in the 2018 farm bill, the Department of Agriculture recalculated what it takes to afford a healthy diet, known as the Thrifty Food Plan, and determined that it required an additional \$12-\$16 per month per recipient, or 40 cents per meal.

Because it's such a large target, SNAP is where much of the budget battle will play out. Most Republicans typically seek to rein in SNAP; most

favorite bird and my late father called it a "blue canary." That makes this bird a big deal in my yard.

I know it's dawn when the ring-necked pheasant rooster crows "cow-cat" loudly outside my bedroom window. He follows it up with a loud, rapid beating of his wings.

I was parked on the highway, waiting for a pilot car to lead me down the road. I watched turkey vultures doing an aerial ballet. Killdeer dashed across the ground. A kingfisher made a metallic sound. They were comfort birds sent to ease the stress of getting nowhere fast.

Eastern bluebirds, also called the blue robin or the blue redbreast by settlers, are closely related to the American robin. Both are members of the thrush family.

Birds have systems in place to survive as long as the weather does what's expected. It takes a lot of insects to make one barn swallow. Barn swallows love lawnmowers because the grass munchers kick up flying insects. Oak trees have more caterpillars than most trees and provide a well-stocked pantry for many birds.

June bugs (also called May beetles or June beetles) are common beetles ½ to 1 inch long and vary in color from reddish-brown to nearly black. The adults are active after dusk in late May and early June, and are attracted to lights at night. The clumsy fliers collide with windows and cling to screens.

Meeting adjourned

"Kindness in ourselves is the honey that blunts the sting of unkindness in another."—Walter Savage Landor.

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Democrats usually support expanding it.

Anti-hunger advocates are lobbying to make the increased pandemic benefits permanent and defend the revised Thrifty Food Plan. In contrast, Republicans are calling for SNAP reductions, and are particularly focused on expanding work requirements for recipients.

Debating climate solutions
The 2022 Inflation Reduction Act provided \$19.5 billion to the Department of Agriculture for programs that address climate change. Environmentalists and farmers alike applauded this investment, which is intended to help the agriculture sector embrace climate-smart farming practices and move toward markets that reward carbon sequestration and other ecosystem services.

This big pot of money has become a prime target for members of Congress who are looking for more farm bill funding. On the other side, conservation advocates, sustainable farmers and progressive businesses oppose diverting climate funds for other purposes.

There also is growing demand for Congress to require USDA to develop better standards for measuring, reporting and verifying actions designed to protect or increase soil carbon. Interest is rising in "carbon farming" – paying farmers for practices such as no-till agriculture and planting cover crops, which some studies indicate can increase carbon storage in soil.

But without more research and standards, observers worry that investments in climate-smart agriculture will support greenwashing – misleading claims about environmental benefits – rather than a fundamentally different system of production. Mixed research results have raised questions as to whether establishing carbon markets based on such practices is premature.

In my view, it is time for tough policy choices, and it won't be possible to fund everything. Congress' response will show whether it supports business as usual in agriculture, or a more diverse and sustainable U.S. farm system.

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

May 30, 1923
The first rural declamatory contest of the Worth County Farm Bureau was held at the Northwood Theatre on May 25. People from every corner of the county began to gather long before the hour and the theatre was filled to capacity. There were 12 contestants. The judges' final ecision was Wirona Clagett first, Everett Hanson in second place and Ione Berg, third place.
One of Northwood's early settlers and a man well known in this community passed away last week in the person of J.B. Thomp-

son. He died at his home in Northwood on Thursday, age 78 years. He was a man active in church and business affairs of his town and was one of the highly respected citizens of Worth County.
On Thursday evening the graduating exercises were held in the Northwood Theatre and 31 members of the senior class were awarded their diplomas by President O.A. Tenold of the local board of education. A Waterloo attorney, J.W. Arbucke, was speaker for the evening. The state scholarship was awarded to Miss Jeannette Sabin, who had maintained a 93.3 average for four years.
Mention was made last week in The Anchor and Index of the contemplated non-stop airplane flight of

Lieut. H.G. Crocker from the Gulf to Canada. The flight was made on Saturday and was successful in every way, the flight establishing a record for a one-man plane. The plane was the same DeHaviland used by Lt. James Doolittle in the longest flight for a one-man machine when he flew from Kelly Field to San Diego, Calif.
The Anchor and Index expected to have the papers in the post office and distributed by 9 o'clock this morning but cessation of the electric light and power service yesterday afternoon set us back three hours. There was no power and light from 4 to 8 p.m. It was said that the wind blew a tree across the wires at or near Manly.



A bumpy ride
Those traveling to the Northwood Swimming Pool and Swensrud Park using Eighth Street South will now be met with a bump in the road. The City of Northwood has put in place speed bumps in hopes of slowing traffica and making the road safer for the young people now that summer break has begun.

75 years ago

May 27, 1948
Worth County is now a soil conservation district, the election of last Thursday resulting in a vote of 120 for establishment of the district and 9 votes against the project. As a margin of 65% is all that is required in order to authorize the district, Worth County's vote was well over that figure.
The Rev. Alf W. Jorgenson, pastor of the First Lutheran Church of Northwood, will deliver the address at the annual

Memorial Day program next Sunday, May 30. His address will be given in the school auditorium following the ceremonies at Sunset Rest Cemetery.
Soaring to an unseasonable temperature of 91 degrees last Thursday, the local official thermometer equaled a reading recorded on September 9, and the warmest day since August 24, 1947, when the mercury reached 94 degrees. Low for the past week was 41 degrees and there has been no rain.
Entries have already begun to come in for Northwood's third annual horse show, which will be held at the fairgrounds on Sunday, June 13. With C.A. Sharp as

general chairman the horse show is again sponsored by the Northwood Lions Club.
A fund of sensible, homespun philosophy was given the members of the class of 1948 of the Northwood High School by Don J. Reid, of Des Monies, managing editor of the Iowa Press Association, in his address at the annual commencement exercises held last Friday evening in the school auditorium.
Northwood post office patrons are assured of some better mail service, beginning Monday of this week. First class mail in the post office by 6 p.m. will be dispatched on a southbound Rock Island train the same evening.

Bolan

Recently Joe and Linda Nydegger and Lori Willert attended the "Concert Choir Finale" at Mount Vernon High School in which Ben Nydegger was in his last choir concert. All the seniors were honored and recognized. What an outstanding concert. They even sang a song that Dolly Parton had recorded, (I'm a fan!), one I do not remember hearing. It was entitled "Light of the Clear Blue Morning."
Ben Nydegger has also ended his Mt. Vernon High School soccer career. Linda Nydegger was able to attend the last game held

at Urbandale, where they played in the Regional against Norwalk late Monday afternoon. She joined Loren, Renee, Anna, who has finished her second year at Wartburg College in Waverly, and Clare at the meet.
There was a good group at the Vacation Bible School meeting on Wednesday evening held at Bolan Trinity UMC which was led by Director Lori Willert. This included Pastors, Crew Leaders and Station Leaders, plus the ladies who will be in charge of the Snack Shack. This will be

a great event. The press releases are out and posters will be coming out soon. The dates for VBS are on June 19 – 23.
On Thursday afternoon Lori Willert and Linda Nydegger attended the Track and Field Sub-Section meet at the Maple River High School in Mapleton, Minnesota. There were 13 teams participating. Evelyn Nydegger, daughter of Larry and Michele Nydegger, who is a Junior, broke the 24-year old NRHEG (New Richland, Hartland, Ellendale, Geneva) 300 meter hurdles school record with a time of 47.69. She was second in the 100 meter hurdles and third in the 4 x 400. She qualified to move on in three events at the Minnesota Section meet in Mankato on June 3.

50 years ago

May 31, 1973
John Welsh and Jim Marker were individual champions in Class B schools in the pole vault and long jump respectively at the Iowa High School Track competition held at Drake University last weekend. The Vikings earned fifth place in the state. Welsh cleared 13 feet, and Marker jumped 21'41/2" to earn the top awards.
A new "Northwood" sign at the north entrance of town has been erected

by the Northwood Development Commission. The white letters are mounted on redwood backing with treated redwood posts.
In the final three golf meets of the 1973 season the N-K boys lost to Forest City 162 to 180 with Jeff Sietsema low for the Vikings with 42. The girls lost 210 to 250 with Laura Sistek low with 59.
Telephones reminiscent of the "good old days" are now available to Northwood phone users, according to Northwestern Bell Manager S.L. Renolds. The assortment includes four 1920s style candlesticks phones, two phone-in-a-box models called "chestphones" and seven

cradle-stick phones that accent Early American, French or Mediterranean decors.
Two general construction bids were received Tuesday night at the letting for the new town hall, according to Einer Lunde, chairman. B&K Builders, Northwood, bid \$74,735 and Buuilderama Inc., Algona bid \$87,000. Mechanical bids were received from Burtness Plumbing and Heating, Fertile, for \$9,620 and Dale Braun Plumbing and Heating, Northwood, for \$8,900. Electric bids were received from Gentz Electric, Northwood, for \$7,912 and K&C Electric, Leland, for \$7,224.

Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-2
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, IOWA, SECTION 6-6-11 SEWER RATES, TO IMPLEMENT RATE INCREASE.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, IOWA:
Section 1. That 6-6-11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kensett, Iowa, which currently reads:
6-6-11 RATE OF SEWER RENT AND MANNER OF PAYMENT. The rate of sewer rent for the use of and for the service supplied by the municipal sanitary sewer utility based upon the amount and rate of water consumed shall be as follows: 1. The first 3,000 gallons or less \$20.80, 2. All gallons over 3,000 \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons be amended to read as follows:
6-6-11 RATE OF SEWER RENT AND MANNER OF PAYMENT. The rate of sewer rent for the use of and for the service supplied by the municipal sanitary sewer utility based upon the amount and rate of water consumed shall be as follows: 1. The first 3,000 gallons or less \$21.50, 2. All gallons over 3,000 \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons.
Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication.
PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of Kensett, Iowa on the 8th day of May 2023.
Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor
City of Kensett, IA
City of Kensett, IA
Motion by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen, roll call taken, all ayes, carried unanimously
Present: Bratrud, Woltzen & Heiken
Absent: Douglas & Parker

Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-3
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, IOWA, SECTION 6-6-10 GARBAGE RATES INCREASE.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, IOWA:
Section 1. That 6-6-10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kensett, Iowa, which currently reads:
6-6-10 REFUSE COLLECTION RATES. The collection and disposal of solid waste as provided by this article is declared to be a benefit to the property served and there shall be levied and collected fees therefore in accordance with the following: 1. 32-gallon cart is \$15.00/month 2. 64-gallon cart is \$18.50/month 3. 96-gallon cart is \$21.50/month.
be amended to read as follows:
6-6-10 REFUSE COLLECTION RATES. The collection and disposal of solid waste as provided by this article is declared to be a benefit to the property served and there shall be levied and collected fees therefore in accordance with the following: 1. 32-gallon cart is \$15.75/month 2. 64-gallon cart is \$19.50/month 3. 96-gallon cart is \$22.50/month
Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication.
PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of Kensett, Iowa on the 8th day of May, 2023.
Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor
City of Kensett, IA
City of Kensett, IA
Motion by Heiken, 2nd by Bratrud, roll call taken, all ayes, carried unanimously
Present: Bratrud, Woltzen & Heiken
Absent: Douglas & Parker

Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-1
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, IOWA, SECTION 6-6-9 WATER RATES, TO IMPLEMENT RATE INCREASE.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, IOWA:
Section 1. That 6-6-9 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kensett, Iowa, which currently reads:
6-6-9 WATER RATES. Water shall be furnished at the following monthly rates per building within the city limits: 1. The first 3,000 gallons or less \$15.80, 2. All gallons over 3,000 \$1.70 per 1,000 gallons be amended to read as follows:
6-6-9 WATER RATES. Water shall be furnished at the following monthly rates per building within the city limits: 1. The first 3,000 gallons or less \$16.50, 2. All gallons over 3,000 \$1.90 per 1,000 gallons.
Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication.
PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of Kensett, Iowa on the 8th day of May 2023.
Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor
City of Kensett, IA
City of Kensett, IA
Motion by Woltzen, 2nd by Heiken, roll call taken, all ayes, carried unanimously
Present: Bratrud, Woltzen & Heiken
Absent: Douglas & Parker

25 years ago

June 3, 1998
The Top of Iowa Welcome Center seven miles west of Northwood will be the site of a ribbon cutting ceremony this Thursday and an open house on Saturday and Sunday, June 6-7.
N-K High School flute players Anneke Reeder and Shana Mathahs concentrated on their instruments when director David Kovarna struck up the N-K High Viking Marching Band for a short tuning session Saturday morning prior to the North Iowa Band Festival in Mason City. The band wore its new uniform, sans hats, during Saturday's parade.

N-K High seniors Pam Schipull and Ben Hengesteg each won numerous honors at Fine Arts Awards Night, including shared billing on the "Outstanding Dramatic Performer" plaque shown here. The two also shared the Navy scholastic leadership award and honors as co-editors of the 1998 Viking yearbook. Schipull was also recognized for the five medals she won in speech, while Hengesteg won the N-K band's John Phillip Sousa Award.
Amy S. Hyde, a 1992 N-K graduate, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy on May 14, 1998. Amy has accepted a one year residency in Family Practice Pharmacy at North Iowa Mercy Health Center in Mason City and began her

duties there last week.
Angler Steve Sutton reeled in more than 20 pounds of catfish Sunday afternoon from the north pit at Kuennen's Quarry. The catfish on the left weighed 10 pounds, according to Sutton, and the fish at right tipped the scales at 12.
N-K High School Junior Jack Johnson's furious finish earned third place in the Class 1A 400-meter hurdles Saturday at the boys State Track Meet in Des Moines. Johnson put on a final burst and leaned into the tape to set a new school record of :55.57 and edged Woodbine's Micah Mullenix for the bronze medal by two-hundredths of a second. Johnson broke N-K's 400 hurdles mark twice during the two-day meet and three times this season.

10 years ago

May 29, 2013
While many farmers have been anxious to get into the field to plant their crop, for the operator of the equipment, it was just too soon to get a start. The planter ended up with tires submerged in muck and mud, with the tractor pulling it digging in nearly as deep in the field's edge. It is conditions like those that led to the dogged down equipment that have led the state to lag behind its normal progress in terms of planting. As of May 19,

planting of corn in Iowa had reached 71%, compared to 97% last year and the five year average of 92%. Soybeans planted had reached 16%, compared to 78% last year and the five year average of 59%.
While the weather was less than ideal on Saturday, when it came to parade time during the 75th annual North Iowa Band Festival, the rains had stopped and the bands marched on. That included the Northwood-Kensett marching band. N-K's band took the first place award in class 1A at the Band Festival. Central Springs High School in Manly took second place in class 2A.
Just to let all the Lady

Vikings fans know that her first year in an N-K uniform wasn't a fluke, freshman Shelby Low picked up last Tuesday right where she left off last season, cranking line shots all over the field as the Lady Vikings downed Newman 10-6. Low went 3-3 at the plate with three doubles seven RBIs in the opening night win.
N-K's Taryn Van Ryswyk delivers one of her fast balls last Tuesday night in the Lady Vikings' 10-6 opening night win over Mason City Newman. Van Ryswyk picked up the complete game win to start the season 1-0.

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City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 5/22/23 at 6 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:
George-Zenz, Peterson, Nerlien, Tenold. Absent: Reeder

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following: Council Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2023. Unam.

Sandy Olson discussed cooperative senior housing. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.
Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT WORTH COUNTY Probate No. ESPR009366 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUTH P. DIERCKS, Deceased.
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of RUTH P. DIERCKS, Deceased, who died on or about 9th day of May, 2023.
You are hereby notified that on the 19th day of May, 2023, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.
Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later

to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated this 22nd day of May, 2023.
Joan W. Stumo
Administrator of estate
1168 430th Street
Northwood, IA 50459
Donald E. Esser
ICIS PIN No: AT0002407
Attorney for executor
Firm Name: Esser Law Firm, PLC
Address: PO Box 1583
Mason City, IA 50402-1583
Date of second publication the 7th day of June, 2023.
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2022 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR NORTHWOOD WATERWORKS

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is groundwater. Our water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)	Compliance		Date	Violation	Source
		Type	Value & (Range)		Yes/No	
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM]	80 (N/A)	LRAA	28.00 (28 - 28)	09/30/2022	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) [HAA5]	60 (N/A)	LRAA	6.00 (6 - 6)	09/30/2022	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Lead (ppb)	AL=15 (0)	90th	ND	2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3 (1.3)	90th	0.447 (0.0269 - 0.472)	2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
950 - DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM						
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0 (MRDLG=4.0)	RAA	0.53 (0.53 - 0.98)	2/9/2022	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Total Coliform Bacteria	TT (TT)	RTCR	1 sample(s) positive	07/31/2022	No	Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other waterborne pathogens may be present, or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water.
Fluoride (ppm)	4 (4)	RAA	0.41 (0.100 - 0.700)	09/30/2022	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
02 - S/EP WELL 3 AND 4 AFTER TREATMENT						
Gross Alpha, inc (pCi/L)	15 (0)	SGL	2.1	04/13/2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Arsenic (ppb)	10 (0)	SGL	5.50	01/08/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronic production wastes
Fluoride (ppm)	4 (4)	SGL	0.4	01/08/2020	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Barium (ppm)	2 (2)	SGL	0.16	01/08/2020	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	N/A (N/A)	SGL	5.43	01/08/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process

Note: Contaminants with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations.

DEFINITIONS

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) -- The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- ppb -- parts per billion.
- ppm -- parts per million.
- pCi/L – picocuries per liter
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND -- Not detected
- RAA – Running Annual Average
- Treatment Technique (TT) – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- SGL – Single Sample Result
- RTCR – Revised Total Coliform Rule
- NTU – Nephelometric Turbidity Units

GENERAL INFORMATION

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water posed a health risk. More information about contaminants or potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. NORTHWOOD WATERWORKS is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

ADDITIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION

While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

OTHER VIOLATIONS

In January 2022 we failed to monitor for Coliform Bacteria. Adverse health effects, if any, are not known. Monitoring procedures have been corrected to avoid future violations.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

This water supply obtains its water from the limestone and dolomite of the Devonian aquifer. The Devonian aquifer was determined to be susceptible to contamination because the characteristics of the aquifer and overlying materials provide some protection from

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact NORTHWOOD WATERWORKS at 641-324-1075.

Supervisors

May 22, 2023
Twenty-first Day
The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with A.J. Stone, Mark Smeby and Enos Loberg present. All members voting “AYE” unless noted.
Loberg led the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the meeting to order.
Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and minutes from the May 15, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.
Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the request for Airport Road closure on Founder's Day for the F.A.S.T. Speed Trial, as proposed by Arlen Throne. Motion carried.
Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve drainage claims in the amount of \$708.12 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.
Northwood Anchor, DD 2 Open Ditch Repair, Pub Notice...\$78.12
Hudson Law Firm, DD 72, Prof Services.....\$630.00
Grand Total.....\$708.12
Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the low bidder of \$146,951.30, Larsen Contracting for the Open Ditch Repairs, Drainage District 2. Motion carried.
Other bidder was A-1 Excavating & Drainage Inc at \$481,000.00.
Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of \$326,701.47 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.
Access Systems Leasing
Service-Dap 107.90
Alliant Energy
Service-Sdp 361.97
Bargen Inc
Service-Eng 114,514.16
Centurylink, Service-Gsr... 163.07
Certified Laboratories
Fuel-Eng 809.65
D & L Equipment
Parts-Eng..... 411.48
Dave Syverson Inc
Service-Eng 18,483.15
Electronic Services System
Service-Rec 1,239.37
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng. 8,146.32
J&L Autobody And Customs Llc
Service-Shf..... 200.00
Jacob Hanson, Reimb-Trs.. 384.44
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf..... 96.26
John Deere Financial
Supplies 430.15
Lexipol, Llc, Service-Shf. 2,028.00
Lexisnexis, Service-Aty..... 183.00
Manly Junction Signal

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009364
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GARY ALAN PANGBURN, Deceased
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Gary Alan Pangburn, Deceased, who died on or about January 5, 2023:
You are hereby notified that on May 8, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Gary Alan Pangburn, deceased, bearing date of March 18, 2016, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Riley Pangburn was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.
Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated May 17, 2023.
Riley Pangburn
1205 First Avenue South
Northwood, IA 50459
Executor of Estate

John H. Greve
ICIS#: AT000003086
Greve Law Office
736 Central Ave.
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, IA 50459
Attorney for Executor
Date of second publication the 31st day of May, 2023.
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N-K Trap Team

By Dean Mueller
N-K Trap coach

Last Monday the Vikings Trap team attended the Cardinal Classic at the Ventura Gun Club. Schools participating were Garner-Hayfield-Ventura, Osage, Mason City, Lake Mills, St. Ansgar and Northwood-Kensett.

Osage won the event with a score of 234, second was Mason City with 229 and third was N-K with 226.

High scores for the Vikings were Loghan Nelson 49, Aiden Moretz 45, Collin Houg 44, Will Tindall 44 and Haydan Pestorious 44.

Woman's Champion was Alexa Thayer of Osage with a score of 47, second was Jordan Carpenter of Mason City with 46 and third was Hailey Herr of Lake Mills with 44. Men's Champion was Gunner Ober of Mason City with a perfect score of 50, second was Jace Popp of Osage with 49 and third was Loghan Nelsen of N-K with

49 (Loghan lost the shoot off to Popp).

On Thursday, May 11, the Vikings hosted a shoot with Osage, Garner-Hayfield-Ventura and Riceville.

Osage won the event with a score of 236, second was N-K with a score of 217 and third was GHV with a score of 216 and Riceville posted a 211.

Top five scores for N-K were: Collin Houg 46, Aiden Moretz 46, Haydan Pestorious 44, Will Tindall 41 and Loghan Nelson 40.

Male champion was Jace Popp of Osage with a 50, second from Osage was Chet Brunner with 47 and Carver H of GHV with 47. Ladies champion was Alexa Thayer from Osage with a score of 49, second was Caitlyn Bjorker 39, and tied for third were Jordyn Carpenter and Alxes Kolbert with 34.

On Saturday, May 13, the Vikings traveled to Osage for two 50 target events. In the first 50 St. Ansgar aced the

Vikings out of third place by one target.

N-K's high five scores were: Haydan Pestorious 47, Will Tindall 44, Collin Houg 41, Iver Girouard 40 and Kaedan Malli 39.

In the second 50 targets N-K came in third with a score of 216. N-K's high five scores were Haydan Pestorious 49, Collin Houg 43, Will Tindall 43, Aiden Moretz 41 and Loghan Nelson 40. There were no individual awards at this shoot.

The following Monday the Vikings traveled to the Ventura Gun Club for the Riverhawk Invitational. Schools attending were Mason City, GHV, Osage, St Ansgar, Lake Mills, Charles City, Blemond-Klemme, Emmetsburg, Algona, Bishop-Garigan and Nashua Plainfield.

In total there were 240 athletes shooting this event. Squad scoring was used for this shoot, so each squad is treated as a team.

Algona 1 posted a 233 for

a first place tie with Algona 2 with 233, third place went to Osage 4 with a score of 231.

N-K's top squad was Haydan Pestorious 48, Will Tindall 45, Aidan Moretz 44, Loghan Nelson 43 and Collin Houg 43 for a total of 223. Again, no individual awards were given.

On Thursday, May 18, the Vikings hosted Osage, Riceville and Central Springs at the lkes.

Osage won with a score of 227, second was N-K with a score of 214 and third was Riceville with a 204.

The top five scores for N-K were: Collin Houg 47, Haydan Pestorious 46, Trinity Vandiver 40, Iver Girouard 40 and Will Tindall 39.

Ladies champion was Alexia Thayer of Osage with 44, second was Trinity Vandiver 40 and tied for third were Gracie White of Central Springs and Lydia Koch of Osage with 31. Men's champion was Jack Sparrow of Osage with 48, second was

Collin Houg with 47 and third was Haydan Pestorious with 46.

On Saturday, May 20, the Vikings traveled to the Ventura Gun Club for a 100 target event hosted by the Mason City Riverhawks. Schools attending were Osage, Lake Mills, Mason City, Emmetsburg, GT-RA, N-K and Cedar Valley Conservation.

Osage won the event with a score of 474 (out of 500), second was Lake Mills with 471, third was Cedar Valley with 455.

The Vikings posted a 451: Haydan Pestorious 96, Collin Houg 95, Aiden Moretz 92, Will Tindall 84 and Loghan Nelson 84.

Ladies champion was Paisley E. (ECCB) with a score of 97, second was Hailey H. (LM) 96 and third was Alexa T. (O) with 95. Men's champion was Ethan L. (LM) with a score of 99, Jace P. (O) with 98 and third was Aidan H. (ECCB) 98.

The USA Clay Target

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JUST IN: Northwood-Kensett Vikings won the spring 23 USA Clay Target electronic league in class 1A with 477 team points, second was Lake Mills with 376 team points. The Vikings swept the men's division with Collin Houg in first with an average of 23.5, second was Haydan Pestorious with an average of 23.0 and third was Loghan Nelson with an average of 22.3. In the woman's division first was Hailey Herr of Lake Mills with an average of 20.4, second was Olivia Walton of Lake Mills with an average of 19.5 and third was Trinity Vandiver of N-K with an average of 17.4. Trinity is a seventh grader and this is her first year shooting with the Vikings team. Congratulations to all the Vikings and good luck at the championships on June 3.

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